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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Response to Amendment***

1. The reply filed on August 18, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendment does not comply with the regulations (37CFR1.173) or the MPEP practice (MPEP 1453). Specifically, the amendment was submitted under the revised amendment practice. However, that practice does not apply to reissue applications. Therefore, the Patent Office does not want to see any claims except those being presently amended and those being presently added. Please see the attached OG notice for guidance. Please note that the OG notice and the new 37 CFR 1.121 that became effective on 07/30/03 do not apply to amending reissue applications.

In summary, the Patent Office want the currently amended, canceled, and added claims. The parenthetical (newly presented) is not required. The Patent Office does need the "old style" (once amended), (twice amended) parenthicals. Also, claims cannot be amended by using "strike out" to show deletions. Further, any amendments to claims 14+ would never have any indication of deletions, since no word in these claims was ever part of the patent text, while every word in these claims would be underlined, since no word in these claims was ever part of the patent text. In addition, the regulation requires that applicant inform the Patent Office of where in the specification support for the amendment can be found. Please note that any further amendments that are filed without complying with 37 CFR 1.173 may be considered to not constitute a *bona fide* attempt to reply to an outstanding Office action. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH** or

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**THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

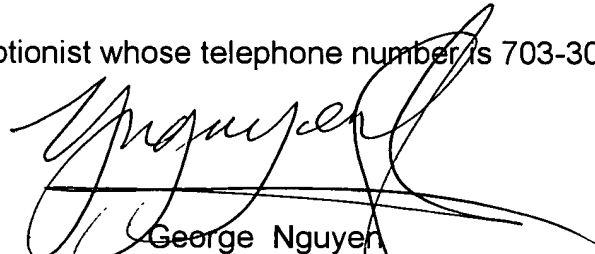
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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to George Nguyen whose telephone number is 703-308-0163. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday/630AM-300PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Hail can be reached on 703-308-2687. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1078.

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